

North Dakota Department of Health Public Notice
Reissue of an NDPDES Permit

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Purpose of Public Notice

The Department intends to reissue the following North Dakota Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NDPDES) Discharge Permit under the authority of Section 61-28-04 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Permit Information

Application Date: 1/17/2017

Application Number: ND0023736

Applicant Name: Dakota Westmoreland Corp

Mailing Address: PO Box 39, Beulah, ND 58523

Telephone Number: 406.342.4614

Proposed Permit Expiration Date: 9/30/2022

Facility Description

The reapplication is for a lignite coal surface operation near the city of Beulah. Discharges would consist of ground water and/or surface runoff encountered during mining. Discharges would be to the Knife River, Brush Creek, Otter Creek, and Coyote Creek. Knife River is a Class II stream; all others are not classified. Discharges covered by this permit are subject to the surface water management conditions and the designated locations described in surface mining permits approved following public review under NDCC Chapter 38-14.1. The current and proposed discharge structures are located within the boundaries of Dakota Westmoreland Corporation's approved surface mining permits which encompass all or part of the following: T143N, R88W and T143N, R87W.

Tentative Determinations

Proposed effluent limitations and other permit conditions have been made by the Department. They assure that State Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the FWPCAA will be protected.

Information Requests and Public Comments

Copies of the application, draft permit, and related documents are available for review. Comments or requests should be directed to the ND Dept of Health, Div of Water Quality, 918 East Divide Ave, Bismarck ND 58501-1947 or by calling 701.328.5210.

All comments received by September 09, 2017 will be considered prior to finalizing the permit. If there is significant interest, a public hearing will be scheduled. Otherwise, the Department will issue the final permit within sixty (60) days of this notice. If you require special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, call TDD at 1.800.366.6868.